

**Rutherford County, North Carolina
Outside Agency Budget Request
Fiscal Year 2026/27**

Agency Information

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County Funding Request

Approved 2025/2026: \$137,200 (\$102,168 + \$35,032 fund balance)
Request for FY 2026/2027: \$102,168

General Agency Information – Program Description

Partners Health Management is a local management entity and a managed care organization. Our mission is to manage a behavioral health care system funded by federal, state and local taxpayer dollars. We ensure all individuals who are eligible for our programs have access to quality providers and effective services. We improve lives and strengthen our communities by focusing on positive outcomes and the proper use of funds entrusted to us.

Why are County funds being requested and how will the funds be used?

The items below are specific initiatives for Rutherford County residents. The following services and activities will be funded by the FY 2026/27 in the requested amount of \$102,168.

County funds are being requested to assure individuals with physical and behavioral health needs (mental health, substance use and/or intellectual and developmental disabilities) receive the services they need to help ameliorate the symptoms of their disability and/or improve their quality of life.

The categories below identify our desired initiatives for Rutherford County residents. *We ask for flexibility with the allotment to have the greatest clinical efficacy in meeting the needs of the individuals served.* The identified categories are:

- Mental health and substance use services in the jail
- System of Care- Local Community Collaborative
- Housing Reserves
- Treatment and Placement Reserves

- Consumer reserves – (IDD & MH/SU). Fund services not covered by other funding sources
- United Way- Grant writing assistance
- Food Council supplies & services

Date Submitted:
April 6, 2026

FY27 Requested

	FY26 RUTHERFORD	FY27 RUTHERFORD
FY26 Requested and Approved Fund Balance	\$ 35,032.00	
FY 27 RUTHERFORD COUNTY	\$ 102,168.00	\$ 102,168.00
	\$ 137,200.00	\$ 102,168.00
SOC Collaborative Expenses	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Consumer Reserves - IDD & MHSU	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 2,000.00
Housing Reserves - various providers	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00
Preferred Choice Healthcare	\$ 48,200.00	\$ 58,168.00
Rutherford DSS- Treatment & Placement Reserve Funds	\$ 55,000.00	\$ 20,000.00
United Way- Grant Writing Assistance	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 10,000.00
Health Council-Pantry-Equipment Support-Food Supplies		\$ 5,000.00
	\$ 137,200.00	\$ 102,168.00

